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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is for an original application.

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

STENT AUS MENSCHLICHEM ODER TIERISCHEM GEWEBE

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

The specification was filed on November 27, 2001, as Serial No. 09/ , .

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent .

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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**(37 CFR sections 1.42 and 1.43)**

I, Dr. Max Schaldach, Jr., hereby declare that I am a citizen of Germany, residing at Wangenheimstrasse 45, D-14193 Berlin, Germany, and that I am executing and signing the declaration to which this is attached as legal representative (or heirs) of:

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That, upon information and belief, I aver those facts that the inventor is required to state.

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For: U.S. Application  
By: Inventors

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and which is found in (37 C.F.R. section 3.21) U.S. application no. 09/ , filed on November 27, 2001 and, in and to, all Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention by the above application or any continuation, division, renewal, or substitute thereof, and as to letters patent any reissue or re-examination thereof.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

Date:

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**Signature of Prof. Dr. Max Schaldach -  
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Date:

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PROOF OF AUTHORITY to act on behalf of the deceased inventor is submitted herewith.

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**Signature of Dr. Max Schaldach, Jr.**